EDITORIAL NEWS

LABOR DAY, 1960

The last summer holiday weekend of the year, Labor Day, is always a major killer on the highways of the country. Falling on a Monday each year — one of the few holidays which does — it offers everyone a long week-end.

Because the weather thereafter turns cool for swimming and boating, and because millions of young people must return to school or to college shortly thereafter, Labor Day is observed with unusual gusto.

The idea of Labor Day is recognition of the millions of working people, and no better holiday could be imagined. Yet four or five hundred people might lose their lives in the coming holiday period.

Remember, then, when you make your plans for the holiday that it would be good to observe Labor Day, 1961, too, and to be around for the event in future years beyond that.

Remember: Death does not take a holiday!

Property Rights and New Nations

New nations, such as those in the Congo, are quick to request and receive aid from democratic countries, like the United States. As a result, and in the traditional U. S. policy, we are forever sending "foreign aid" all over the world.

Perhaps we are too quick to extend foreign aid to new nations, such as those in the Congo. We are faced with a deteriorating and disturbing situation in Cuba, only one hundred miles from our coast, because of Cuban seizure of U. S. property without adequate compensation to the owners.

While the government encourages U. S. businessmen to go abroad, to go to South America, and into the "under-developed areas," with their capital and new industry, it does very little to protect their property once a revolutionary government seizes the property of U. S. citizens.

In the case of the Congo, Prime Minister, Patrice Lumumba, who was recently entertained in Washington as a celebrity, has approved an order by his Cabinet under which all properties of the Belgians which have been abandoned by them — in the current revolution — will be seized unless reclaimed by the Belgians within eight days.

Of course, the Belgians cannot possibly reclaim this property, and this is an outright steal. The United States, nor any other democratic country, should not extend any sort of foreign aid to the Congo until some respect for international law is shown and Belgian citizens are not only promised but paid off for their property, representing a lifetime investment in many cases, and future investors have solid assurance that property rights will be honored.

The situation is even worse in Cuba. Hundreds of millions of dollars worth of American property has been seized.

We are a young nation, it is true. But, we should be old enough to know a "rat hole".

DEPRESSION TALK

A good election-year argument is being waged today by certain union members, notably in the steel industry, and the Eisenhower Administration. On the one hand, union officials, and Presidential candidate John F. Kennedy, of the Democratic Party, are warning that a recession or depression may result if economic conditions are not improved in this country.

On the other hand, President Eisenhower recently told the nation that the economy was in a healthy state, and that there was no danger of a recession or depression.

Steel union officials claim that they are now faced with a situation wherein 135,000 members of the United Steelworkers are unemployed. It is also claimed that 300,000 more workers are working only part-time.

It is certainly not a desirable situation for the steel industry to be experiencing the present condition, in which its capacity is only being utilized to about fifty per cent, and with a sizeable amount of unemployment. Our steel industry, a most vital one in our economy is running at half capacity, and at a time when the Communist countries are vastly increasing their steel output and operating it to the fullest capacity in an expanding program.

KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Does the moon affect the weather and the planting of crops?

Yes, the moon does affect the weather. It also affects the tides and high tide at the time of full moon is usually higher than usual. High tide at the summer equinox, and at the autumnal equinox, is even higher when the moon is full at the same time.

The moon's effect on our daily weather is not yet fully understood, or determined, though it is believed to exert an effect. As for its value in the planting of crops, many farm experts and countless veteran farmers hold it has a definite relation, and results over the years seem to prove this theory.

The explanation for this theory is not yet known.

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Washington Notes

Ike Pledges Aid

President Eisenhower has made it clear that we wouldn't hesitate to use the White House as a forum from which to help elect the Republican national ticket in November.

At a recent news conference the President said that the Republican campaign was "in other hands," and that "I am just a spectator, in a way." But he went on to say, "I am going to do whatever I can to elect Mr. Nixon and Mr. Lodge and you can bet on that."

Peak Income Rate

The rate of Americans' personal income rose in July by $1,000,000,000. Half the rise was enacted by Congress in the form of a raise for Federal employees. The rate of wage and salary income in manufacturing industry was down, as was farmers' income.

Kennedy Undaunted

The Kennedy camp has professed lack of concern over national poll results that show Vice President Nixon leading in the Presidential campaign.

The first national poll since the political conventions, conducted by the American Institute of Public Opinion, headed by Dr. George Gallup, showed Mr. Nixon receiving 50 per cent of the vote and Mr. Kennedy 44 per cent, with 6 per cent undecided.

4-H TO HONOR FORMER MEMBERS

The 4-H philosophy: head, heart, hands and health pledged to make the best better — has influenced the lives of men and women who once were 4-H club members. Their success stories have been documented in reports received by the National 4-H Service Committee in connection with the 4-H alumni recognition program.

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Each year eight outstanding people in the nation are chosen to receive the national 4-H alumni key award. The 1960 recipients include Mrs. Frank F. Carr, of Appomattox and Richmond.

Dogs On Wrong Side

La Jolla, Calif.- Two Labrador retrievers never offered a bark or bite when a thief entered the La Jolla home of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Brown and left with a $250 watch. The dogs tried to make up for it, however—by almost tearing the pants off City Director R. V. Shaw when he came to investigate the robbery.

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Devotional Reading: Psalm 37:1-9.

God in History

Lesson for September 4, 1960

GOD IN HISTORY can be seen if only with the eyes of faith. There is no demonstrating either that God exists or that he is doing any particular thing. Nevertheless, once seen with the insight of faith, God is unmistakably there—everywhere in the story of the universe and of man. God does not, so to speak, burst into the story like some one late to a meeting. He does not come in and out like a light out of order. He does not play a minor role on the stage of humanity. He is out there all the time.

Dr. Foreman

God's Will in History

What are God's intentions? Does he know what he wants and is he trying to get it? Does he know what he wants done and is he finding men who will do it? Such questions haunt the mind of one who has not yet become sure about God. They would haunt the mind of a believing man too, if the Bible did not help him with some answers. The prophets of "olden times" lived in a pretty modern era, after all. It was a time like ours in many ways. Nations were armed to the teeth, national wealth was being spent on defense, the common man was taxed right out of his sandals, the whole nation was morally weak and growing flabbier all the time.

At such a time arose prophets, men of God with insight into the mind of God. They did not know all God's "secret counsels" but they were quite certain on some points. First of all, they declared that God does have a purpose—a great all-embracing Purpose that includes every nation in the world. Translated into terms of our time, this means God has a purpose regarding Russia, China, Afghanistan, Canada, the State of Mississippi . . . there is not a territory so obscure, there is not an empire so great, as to be outside God's purposes. Does this mean that every "people and tongue and nation" and every subdivision thereof always does God's will? How about Russia? we would ask. How about Assyria? the ancient Hebrew would ask. Are they in line with God's high intention?

This was a bitter question when Assyria was invading Judah, and Isaiah, speaking for God, gives the answer of chapter 10. Judah, the nation, has sinned, and God is about to punish her. But he does not punish the nation by means of avenging angels swinging thunderbolts. He punishes the nation with a rod: and the name of the rod is Assyria. It is a wicked nation to be sure; nations defeated by Assyria have a tragic fate in store. But when God has sufficiently punished Israel with this "rod of anger", he will cast the rod aside. Where is God's hand in history? At that time, His hand held the rod called Assyria. Since then there have been other nations which like Assyria carried out God's will without being aware of it or of Him. The reader no doubt can name some of these.

God's Character in History

The prophets saw something more than a powerful hand guiding the course of nations. They could see what kind of God this is. To the eye and mind of faith, the whole course of history, the rise and fall of nations, the chains of cause and effect in all ages, strongly speak of a God who loves justice and mercy, a God who is concerned about the helpless and the depressed peoples of the world. Nations as well as individuals that defy God's laws are just digging their own graves. In a real sense of the word, every nation that has fallen into the pit, (and the mortality among nations, to date, is 100%) has dug that pit for itself. God's throne of justice is not set on some remote star. It is here on the flying earth. "Though with patience he stands waiting, with exactness grinds he all." The judgments of God are not swift but they are sure. From them there is no appeal. His judgments are not arbitrary, they come right out of the sin itself; the punishment fits the crime. For God is no intruder into history, he is Lord of History. In fulfilling his will is the Good for all men.

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Venezuela builds "little Ruhr" at inland port.

Costly Prank

Oak Park, Mic.- Her miniature French poodle cost Mrs. Healy, of Oak Park, $7,500 in an out-of-court settlement given to Mrs Nora Rogers, who suffered a broken hip when the dog knocked her down.

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Mr. and Mrs. David L. Garrette and family visited relatives in Pa. recently.

Those who visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover over the week-end were Mrs. Mary Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Thompson, of Lynchburg; Mrs. H. B. Dickerson and son, of Beckley, West Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dickerson, of Pamplin, and Mr. Couch, and son, of Richmond.

Miss Madian Lee, of Buckroe Beach visited friends here last week.

Mrs. W. T. Puckett and grandson, Allen Franklin, Mrs. Taylor Powell and daughter, Kathy, of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Paulette last Tuesday.

House warming was given to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett Saturday night. They have recently moved into their new home.

Mrs. Eva Snowden, of Port Royal, Va., and Mrs. Nannie Bruce, of Los Angeles, California, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Bruce and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Paulette and family spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Paulette and family, of Halifax.

Miss May Judy Paulette and Elizabeth Anne Paulette, of Madison Heights visited Mrs. Ryland Staples and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wright and daughter, Becky visited relatives at Newport News last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paulette have returned home after visiting relatives in Georgia for some time.

Mr. an d Mrs. E. T. Bruce and family, Mrs. Eva Snowden and Mrs. Nannie Bruce motored to Natural Bridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Evans, of Roanoke were last week-end guests of Miss Blannie Evans and Mrs. Lizzie Hodge.

Mrs. Mildred Paulette and son, R. B., spent the week-end in Richmond.

Mrs. Leon Paulette and children have returned home from visiting her parents in Canada.

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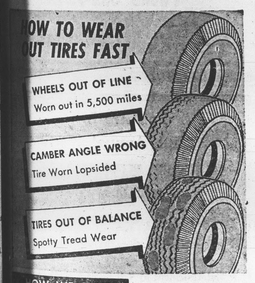

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Mrs. Florene Phelps, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Marvin Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill visited relatives near Chase City Sunday.

Mrs. Martin Colemas, Brenda and Bruce have returned home after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Morgan and family visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. K. Megginson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Marvin Reynolds visited several days last week with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Childers.

Miss Peggy Wooldridge and Miss Linda Sarver visited Miss Faye Thornhill Sunday afternoon.

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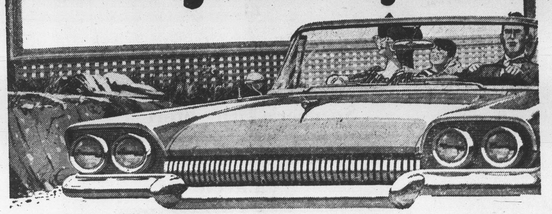

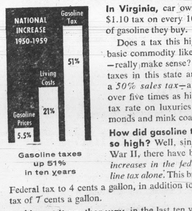

Gasoline taxes up 51% in ten years

In Virginia, car owners pay $1.10 tax on every 10 gallons of gasoline they buy.

Does a tax this high—on a basic commodity like gasoline—really make sense? Gasoline taxes in this state amount to a *50% sales tax*—and that's over five times as high as the tax rate on luxuries like diamonds and mink coats.

How did gasoline taxes get so high? Well, since World War II, there have been *three increases in the federal gasoline tax alone*. This brought the Federal tax to 4 cents a gallon, in addition to the State tax of 7 cents a gallon.

Looking at it another way, in the last ten years gasoline taxes have *skyrocketed 51%*—yet the price of gasoline itself has *risen only 5.5%* during the same period.

$96 a year for gasoline taxes! Gallon by gallon, these taxes add up to a lot of money. Each year the average motor vehicle owner in this state *pays $96 for gasoline taxes alone*. That's actually more than the average week's pay for most people!

Your gasoline retailer—who must collect these taxes from you—*feels that gasoline taxes are much too high*. More and more, thinking people are coming to agree. What do you think?

HIGHWAYS AND GASOLINE TAXES

Your gasoline retailer, naturally, favors construction of the roads that the motoring public needs. He believes in fair and reasonable taxation for this purpose but feels that taxes on gasoline have now reached unreasonably high levels. He also believes that *all* special taxes on the motorist should be used only for highway purposes. Yet last year, out of every automobile tax dollar collected by the Federal Government from highway users, more than 40 cents went for non-highway purposes. If these automotive tax revenues were dedicated for highway purposes, there would be no need for the latest increase in the federal gasoline tax.

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